
GEORGIA FARM BUREAU MEMO

TO: RYAN JACKSON
FROM: OPE
SUBJECT: GEORGIA FARM BUREAU SPEAKING ENGAGEMENT
DATE: MARCH 21, 2018

Attire: Business

Participants:
Administrator Pruitt

Agenda

Wednesday, March 21

Note: **Gerald Long (President of Georgia Farm Bureau) will be introducing you. You visited Earl and Wanda Barr's Tree Farm in Cochran, Georgia last June.**

7:30am EST **Remarks for Georgia Farm Bureau**

Location: Holiday Inn Capitol, Capitol Ballroom (550 C Street SW Washington, DC)

Background: The Georgia Farm Bureau Federation is Georgia's largest and strongest voluntary agricultural organization with almost 300,000 member families. It is an independent, non-governmental organization. The membership is mainly composed of farm families in rural communities and of people who want Georgia to be agriculturally successful, progressive and prosperous.

Formed in 1937 by 50 farmers, Georgia Farm Bureau continues to have a strong grassroots network with 159 county Farm Bureau organizations. Since its inception, the primary, ongoing goal of Farm Bureau is to be a united voice in the legislative arena, to promote farm markets and to provide leadership to Georgia's agricultural community. Farm Bureau is local, state, national and international in scope and influence.

Bio:

Gerald Long



Gerald Long is a diversified farmer from Decatur County, Georgia. He raises cattle and grows peanuts, vegetables, corn, cotton, hay, small grains and timber with his family on their farm near Bainbridge.

He was first elected to the Georgia Farm Bureau Board of Directors in December 1999 as a GFB 9th District director, representing 14 counties in Southwest Georgia. In 2006, voting delegates in the organization's South Region elected him South Georgia vice president. GFB voting delegates statewide designated Long to serve as GFB 1st vice president each year since 2008.

In January 2016, he was named president of Georgia Farm Bureau when his predecessor, Zippy Duvall, was elected president of the American Farm Bureau Federation.

Attendees:

Around 100 members of the Georgia Farm Bureau will be in attendance.